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ABSTRACT

This guide organizes nearly 1,000 federal government World Wide Web sites and shows users how to find the information they need quickly and easily. More than a directory, this resource gives users a clear understanding of U.S. government agencies, their online publications, and their applications. There is background material on all three branches of the government and the information they disseminate. Users can also discover where to find government programs and services that are available through the Web. Chapters are: (1) Government Information and Its Importance; (2) Government: Structure and Types of Publications; (3) Search Engines: Negotiating the Information Maze; (4) Executive Branch; (5) Independent Establishments and Quasi-Government Agencies; (6) Legislative Branch; (7) Judiciary Branch; (8) Statistics; (9) One-Stop Shopping; (10) Government Web-based Services; (11) Maps and Geographic Information Systems; (12) Selected Subjects; (13) Web Pages for Kids; and (14) Web Browser Hardware and Software. Thirty-five figures are included throughout the text. An appendix lists other useful Web sites. Government body and selected title indexes are included. (AEF)

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